

SAMOA CLIPPER LOST

If Lynch Bill Is to Be Law, Demand It Include North

Southern Senators Strike at Gangsters Killings in North

WEEK, FILIBUSTER

Railroads Present Case for Re-employment of 150,000

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Southern senators fighting the anti-lynching bill told the senate Wednesday they would seek to expand it to include gangsters and mob violence.

Senator Russell, Georgia Democrat, carried on the debate against the pending lynching bill as the senate rounded out the first full week of discussion of the measure without even approaching a vote on any of the number of amendments proposed.

Railroads Speak
WASHINGTON—(AP)—The senate unemployment committee received testimony Wednesday that the nation's railroads could put 150,000 men to work if rail revenues swung back toward normal.

The estimate came from J. J. Pelley, president of the Association of American Railroads, in a prepared statement. Pelley said the decline in the third quarter of 1937, after nine months of good business, had reduced traffic to "very low levels," and net earnings even more.

House Favors FDR
WASHINGTON—(AP)—The house voted Tuesday to give blanket authority to President Roosevelt to whittle down or eliminate entirely any appropriation which congress makes—except allotments for veterans.

If the senate concurs, there will be a drastic change in governmental procedure, and the president will be able to pick and choose among the multitudes of appropriations passed along to him by congress.

At present, he can veto any appropriation bill in its entirety, but he cannot veto individual items without killing the whole measure.

He requested such individual veto power in his budget message last week. It was written into the session's first appropriation bill—the \$1,414,968,515 measure carrying funds for 39 independent offices and agencies of the government—and was approved today.

As it finally passed the house on a voice vote this bill was increased over \$150,000 over the sum recommended by the Appropriations Committee. This sum was tacked on to the \$37,087,000 allotted to the Tennessee Valley Authority. It was requested by representative Starnes (Dem., Ala.) to permit the TVA to continue fertilizes experiments.

While some question has been raised in both legislative and legal circles as to whether presidential "veto" of separate items in appropriation bills would be constitutional, Representative Woodrum (Dem., Va.), who steered the independent offices bill through the house, said it would.

He recalled that congress in 1932 granted President Hoover power to abolish in the interest of economy any governmental function, activity or agency. President Roosevelt, he said, had similar power.

Under the authority approved today the president would reduce or eliminate appropriations when he found that "aid in balancing the budget or reducing the public debt." Such an order would be submitted to congress, if it was in session, and would become effective in 60 days unless congress provided for an earlier effective date.

Representative Taber (Rep., N. Y.) said the 60-day period was designed to give congress opportunity to consider the executive order and disapprove it by a majority vote if it desired. Affirmative action on an order would not be needed.

Injunction Against Backpay Dropped

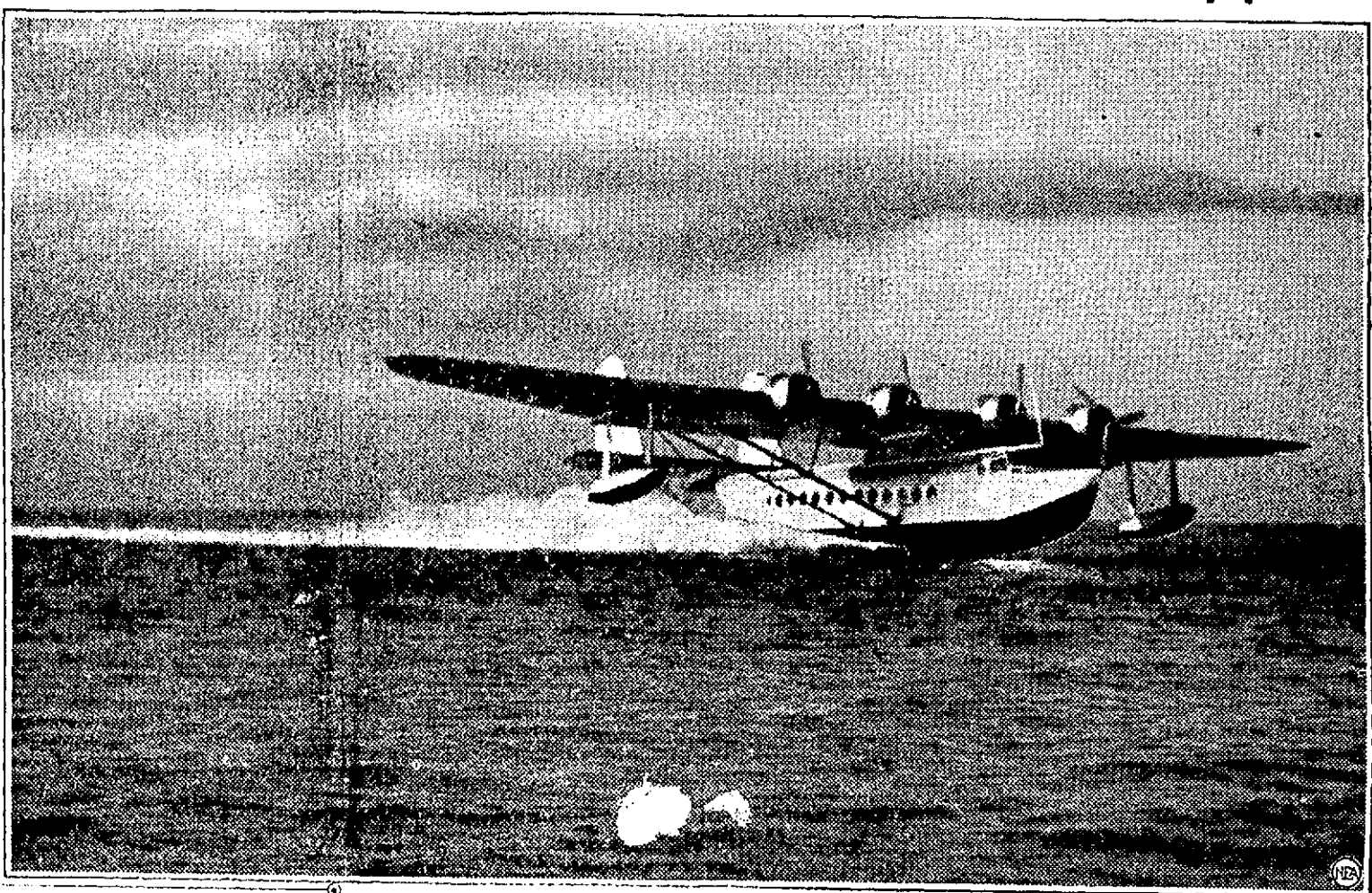
W. H. Pool Takes Nonsuit in Assessors' and Clerks' Case

LITTLE ROCK—(AP)—W. H. Pool took a voluntary nonsuit in Pulaski chancery court Wednesday on his injunction petition seeking to prevent payment of back salaries to county tax assessors and clerks for the years 1933-34.

The suit was postponed Tuesday until January 24 for final hearing.

The action Wednesday left Pool the right to refile his suit. No explanation of the move was given. The nonsuit dissolved a temporary injunction obtained by Pool.

The Last Voyage of the "Samoan Clipper"



While the photo is that of the first China Clipper strating transpacific service a couple of years ago, it may actually be the very Samoan Clipper which has been destroyed together with her crew. All the Pacific flying boats are sister ships, weighing from 21 to 23 tons—but when the first China Clipper took off from Alameda, Calif., it was commanded by Captain Edwin C. Musick; and there is reason to believe he may have continued to use the same ship when he extended his explorations toward Australia, this time. The Samoan Clipper, Captain Musick and his crew, went to death on a test flight toward Australia. There were no passengers or mail. The transpacific Clippers, flying regular mail and passenger flights, have never had an accident and have never been forced down when at sea. They are four-motored planes.

"Social Security" Payable at Age 65

3 1/2% Applies to Total Earnings, Not Merely to Tax Paid in

TEXARKANA.—A mistaken belief exists that the "3 1/2 per cent" in payments of lump-sum claims for benefit at death or attainment of age 65 under the Old-Age Insurance provisions of the Social Security Act means 3 1/2 per cent of the taxes paid, rather than 3 1/2 per cent of total wage credits earned by employees since January 1, 1937.

This misunderstanding is in part responsible for the fact that scores of claims under federal old-age insurance are still outstanding and unpaid in this area. John H. Coater, manager of the field office of the Social Security Board at Texarkana, Ark., said Wednesday.

"Several persons have informed us that they were not filing their claims because they were too small," said Coater. "One employee said his employer had deducted a total of about \$10 out of his wages, totaling approximately \$1,000, since January 1, 1937. He was much surprised when he was told that the 3 1/2 per cent for \$5 per \$1,000 was related to the total wages he had earned in covered employment since December 31, 1936. This man had \$35 coming to him—not thirty-five cents."

"There is another misconception. We have found that a large percentage of persons do not know that if a son, daughter or near relative in covered employment dies, the father, mother or nearest relative is entitled to file a claim for a lump-sum benefit payment."

"As the years go by this will mean a large amount. Let us assume that a young man earns \$1,000 a year for ten years and then dies. The lump payment coming to the heirs—3 1/2 per cent of the total wages of \$10,000 (\$35 per \$1,000)—would be \$350."

Since this lump-sum benefit is important, not only for the worker himself at age 65 but for his family if he should die before reaching age 65, Coater urged that all employees be sure their employer is deducting the employee's share of one per cent from their wages if they are in covered employment. He pointed out that extra or part-time employees are also entitled to participate in paying old-age insurance taxes and thus be protected under the old-age insurance provisions as well as regular or full-time employees.

Coater said all workers in covered employment who reach age 65 or die before reaching age 65, after January 1, 1937, are entitled to a lump-sum benefit payment of 3 1/2 per cent for \$5 per \$1,000 on their earnings since January 1, 1937 up to the date of death or attainment of age 65. This federal old-age insurance benefit should not be confused with old-age assistance or state "pensions" for the needy aged with which it has no connection.

Lump-sum claims or inquiries regarding them in Polk, Montgomery, Sevier, Howard, Pike, Clark, Ouachita, Nevada, Hempstead, Little River, Miller, Lafayette, Columbia, Union, Bowie (Texas), and Cass (Texas) counties should be referred to Mr. Coater at 406 Federal Building, Texarkana, Ark.

Nashville Opens New Postoffice

\$50,000 Building Is Formally Opened With Ceremonies

NASHVILLE, Ark.—Nashville's new \$50,000 post office, modern in every detail and quite an addition to the business section of the city, was formally opened with appropriate ceremonies here Monday.

The new building, considerably larger than the one formerly in use here, will afford a more systematic and a faster handling of all class mail.

A Thought

He that is patient will persevere; and he that perseveres will often have occasion for, as well as trial of, patience.—Tryon Edwards.

MIND Your MANNERS

Test your knowledge of correct social usage by answering the following questions, then checking against the authoritative answers below:

1. Is it good taste for parents to send out announcements of the adoption of a child?
2. Is it correct for the family of the bride to announce the engagement?
3. May a widow wear her first engagement ring on her right hand when she becomes engaged a second time?
4. May she continue to wear her first wedding ring after a second marriage if she transfers it to the other hand?
5. May a very young widow wear a white dress for a second marriage?

What would you do if—
You are a girl about to be married and you have a mother, but neither a father nor near male relative to give you away? Walk down the aisle—
(a) Alone and have your mother step forward to give you away?
(b) With your mother?
(c) On arm of groom?

- Answers
1. Yes.
2. No.
3. Yes.
4. No.
5. Although it is seldom done, she may wear white without a veil.
Best "What Would You Do?" solution—Either (a) or (b).
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First Parliament of Soviet Meets

Popularly-Elected Representatives Gather for Initial Session

MOSCOW, Russia.—(AP)—Soviet Russia's new parliament opened its first session Wednesday with Joseph Stalin and other government leaders watching from seats of honor.

Men and women of the parliament, elected December 12 in the first election under the Soviet Union's new constitution, brought instructions from many parts of Russia's vast area to tell Stalin that "all his counsel and all his advice we deem to be law."

Avocado Season Is Cut to Three Months

SANTA BARBARA, Calif.—(AP)—If you like avocados—alligator pears to some people—get your fill between now and March. The growers association announces that, owing to unusual crop conditions, a harvest that usually extends over the whole year will be confined to three months. During that period, however, the avocados will be plentiful.

Presbyterian Men to Meet Thursday Night

The Presbyterian Men of the Church will assemble at 7:15 p. m. Thursday at the church where dinner will be served 15 minutes later. All members are urged to attend.

CRANIUM CRACKERS

1. Who is the "White House spokesman?"
2. Can you name the original Siamese twins?
3. Do many of the Texas longhorn cattle still remain in Texas?
4. What sort of fish are fry and fingerlings?
5. Is it true that doctors write their prescriptions in Latin so that the patient cannot understand them?

Answers on Classified Page

Wreckage Found by Naval Tender; Musick and 6 Die

Is First of 21-Ton Pacific Airliners to Meet Disaster

EXPLOATORY TRIP
Pioneering New Line to Australia—Carried No Passengers

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Juan Trippe, president of Pan American Airways, announced at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon (Hope time) that it had been "definitely established" that Captain Edwin C. Musick and his six crewmen aboard the Samoan Clipper were dead.

Wreckage Is Found
HONOLULU, H. I.—(AP)—The Navy received a wireless message Wednesday that the aircraft tender Avocet was picking up the wreckage of the Samoan Clipper near Pago Pago. There was no mention of survivors.

21-Ton Flying Boat Lost
PAGO PAGO, Tutila, American Samoa—Hope wanted Wednesday for the transpacific Samoan Clipper and her crew of seven which vanished mysteriously Tuesday a few minutes out of Tutila.

Fear grew here that the 21-ton flying boat's gasoline caught fire as it was being dumped into the Pacific ocean, exploded and killed its ace commander, Edwin C. Musick, and six crewmen.

The Clipper carried no passengers. A Navy plane, after two flights in futile efforts to locate the Clipper, charted a further search—with the aid of a surface vessel.

Down at Sea
SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.—(AP)—Pan American Airways announced Tuesday night it had been informed the missing Samoan Clipper was down at Apia, British Samoa, but no word was immediately available concerning the fate of the seven-man crew.

Apia is about 74 miles west of Pago Pago, American Samoa, which the clipper left Tuesday morning en route to Auckland, N. Z.

Airways officials announced they had been informed by a company radio from Pago Pago that the plane was sighted floating in Apia harbor at 8:55 a. m. Samoa time (2:55 p. m., Central Standard Time). This was an hour and five minutes after the ship reported motor trouble and 28 minutes after the last word was received from the clipper. Officials here said the message originated from a local radio operator in Apia and was relayed through Pan-American facilities. They expressed belief the report was authentic.

The clipper, commanded by the veteran trans-Pacific flier, Capt. Edwin C. Musick, was making its second round trip on the recently inaugurated airway between Apia and Auckland. Crew members besides Capt. Musick, the airway headquarters here said, air line linking via Hawaii, Kingman Reef, Samoa and Auckland.

C. G. Sellers, first officer.
P. S. Brunk, junior flight officer.
F. J. McLean, navigator.
J. W. Stikrod, engineering officer.
J. A. Brooks, assistant engineering officer.
J. F. Findley, radio officer.

An Oil Leak
The plane which left Pago Pago at 12:30 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time) reported at 2:50 p. m. (E. S. T.) she was returning because of an oil leak, airways officials here reported. The last report from the plane came at 3:27 p. m. (E. S. T.) when it was on the directional radio beam, headed for Pago Pago.

Cruising speeds of the clipper, depending upon weather and wind, are between 120 and 150 miles per hour, which would have put her from 250 to 350 miles from Pago Pago when she turned back.

No plane of the airways system ever before had been reported forced down on a trans-Pacific flight, although several times planes on the California-Manila route have turned back to starting point because of adverse weather or motor trouble.

For more than two years mail has been carried regularly over the airway system between Alameda, Cal., and Manila, an 8,000-mile route with stops at Honolulu, Midway, Wake and Guam islands. Passengers have been carried over this route, now extending to Hong Kong, China, for more than a year.

The Hawaii-New Zealand route, designed for passenger service at some future date, was pioneered by the Samoan Clipper.

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Cotton

NEW ORLEANS—(AP)—January cotton opened Wednesday at 8.64 and closed at 8.64.

Spot cotton closed steady two points lower, middling 8.80.

England Refuses to Allow Japs to Close Up Yangtze

British Will Sail Anywhere in China Waters They Choose

JAPS CLAIM CHINA

Imperial Plan Believed to Recognize Peiping Regime

LONDON, Eng.—(AP)—Great Britain refused Wednesday to submit to an attempt by Japan to close the Yangtze river to neutral merchant shipping. An informed source said the British government reserved the right to move British ships whenever it pleased in China waters.

By the Associated Press
Evidence increased Wednesday of Japan's designs to extend her administrative control over those parts of China under her military domination. In Tokyo, a highly placed foreign observer predicted that Japan shortly would recognize the new Japanese-dominated Peiping regime as the legal government of China.

Some observers believed that this—and not a declaration of war—was the decision at Tuesday's imperial conference.

Rockefeller's Son Lives Modest Life

He's a Conservative and an Average Student in School

By WILLIAM McGAFFIN
AP Feature Service Writer
LONDON John D. Rockefeller, Jr., may be one of the richest men in America but you'd never know it from the comparatively simple student life David, his youngest son, is leading here.

David, who enrolled recently for a year's post-graduate work in the London school of economics, is living in a modest flat near the school on a scale no different from that of any student of independent but moderate means.

There is no butter to open his door, no valet to dress him, no chauffeur to drive his car. He doesn't even own a car.

Like most students, he has a room-mate. He shares his apartment with William Walters, a Minneapolis boy with whom he made friends at Harvard.

As for servants, their "staff" consists of one woman who comes in each day to cook and clean.

He's a Conservative
David is the first of his family to try out personally the educational facilities of the London school although Rockefeller institute has contributed to its support for years.

If any one wonders at a Rockefeller attending a school with the left wing reputation this one has, David is ready with an answer.

"As far as I can see, that characterization of the school has been greatly exaggerated," he says.

He merely laughs at the idea that his attendance here indicates any left wing sympathies.

"No," says David, "I'm afraid I'm a conservative."

An Average Student
He does not, however, have to go outside his apartment house to be reminded of left wingers. The occupants of the apartment below his is Stafford Cripps, the Socialist party firebrand.

David is a quiet, unassuming, pleasant-spoken fellow and is said to be an average student.

After taking a degree at Harvard in English history and literature, he studied economics in the Harvard graduate school.

Following his year in London he plans to complete his education with a year at the University of Chicago and be awarded, he hopes, a Ph. D. degree.

National guard forces are being brought up to authorized strength of 205,000 officers and enlisted men.

Allotments Are Made From Equalizing Fund

LITTLE ROCK—(AP)—The State Department of Education Wednesday allotted \$33,805 from the state equalizing fund to 39 school districts in 24 counties.

Included are: Paynes Chapel, Arkansas county, \$80; Jannuel, Arkansas county, \$300; Okonona Special, Clark county, \$3,000; Blamark-Marcus Hot Spring county, \$2,000; Big Fork, Polk county, \$900.

Business Meets FDR; Feels Better

Industrialists Leave White House Apparently Encouraged

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Another presidential conference with business leaders was called Wednesday simultaneously with the disclosure that an unnamed AFL leader arranged the president's meeting with five industrialists Tuesday night.

Secretary Roper announced that 50 prominent business men—members of the administration's business advisory council—would meet with the president January 19.

Meet With FDR
WASHINGTON—(AP)—Five "big business" men talked their problems over with President Roosevelt Tuesday and reported a "better understanding."

The chief executives conferred were Alfred P. Sloan, chairman of General Motors Corporation; Ernest T. Weir, chairman of National Steel; Lewis Brown, president of Johns-Manville; M. W. Clement, president of the Pennsylvania railroad; and Colby Chester, chairman of the board of the National Association of Manufacturers and president of General Foods.

For an hour and a half they engaged in what they called later a "general discussion" of the problems of the business recession. Then, leaving the president's office, Sloan, on behalf of the group, dictated this statement to reporters:

"We have had an interesting and constructive talk with the president. All of us agree we have a better understanding of each other's problems, out of which, I am sure, will come closer co-operation in meeting the difficulties of the moment."

Beyond this, and individual statements that the meeting had been "useful" and "helpful," they would not comment. But it was obvious that they left the White House in a more cheerful frame of mind.

Because Mr. Roosevelt intends to send a special message to congress on the eradication of what he calls harmful business practices, it was considered significant that Donald R. Richberg, former head of the defunct NRA, was one of those present at Tuesday's meeting. His name was not on the list given out by the White House, but he was invited, he said, to "sit in."

The circumstance set Washington to wondering whether Mr. Roosevelt may not have some new business agency in mind, and whether Richberg may be considering an administrative post.

There was comment, too, on the fact that three of the business men were active members of the Liberty League, a vigorous critic of New Deal policies. They were Chester, who was a member of the league's Executive Committee, Weir and Sloan, who were members of its National Advisory Committee.

Mr. Roosevelt recently advocated that business leaders and the government get together periodically to gauge the economic future and plan production accordingly. Whether Tuesday's conference was also regarded as the first of such meetings, none would say.

Statues Broken in 1812 Restored at Mission

SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, Calif.—(AP)—Three images of saints which were installed in the old mission here the year of Declaration of Independence were signed have been restored to their pedestals. Tipped off and broken by the earthquake of 1812, they lay in pieces until recently repaired by order of the Rev. Arthur J. Hutchinson, pastor.

Forty-eight constellations were recognized by ancient Greek astronomers.

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Poisoned Propaganda Is Threatening Peace

SOMEHOW, the behavior of great nations makes you think of two little boys. You have seen them in some little squabble, inching up toward each other, all bristling, and maybe one or both with a chip on their shoulders.

"You did!" cries one.

"I didn't!" shrieks the other.

"You did so!" wails the first.

And so on. Maybe the chips finally got knocked off. Perhaps there is even a bloody nose. But first there is the endless bickering, the torrents of hot words.

SOMETHING like that is going on today among the nations of the world. It is dignified by a long name, propaganda, and it is all done very scientifically. But it amounts to about the same thing.

The British Broadcasting Co. has begun a series of programs in Arabic, Spanish, and Portuguese. Their purpose, while not admitted, is clearly to counteract the incessant anti-British propaganda with which Italy has been crowding the air-waves.

"Italy has now become the poison pen of Europe!" cried a member of the British House of Commons. "The poisons the whole field of international relations!"

So Britain sets out to circulate a counter-poison as an antidote. The Italian game is of course to alienate and inflame against the British all the peoples of the Near East and Mediterranean areas, in which British has vital interests and mandates.

The Germans are playing the same game, working continually on neighboring countries to foment Nazi movements within them and create atmosphere favorable to herself and her objectives. South America falls within this orbit, and even North America.

The Nazi broadcasts to North America are especially interesting. By personal responses and communications resulting from "fan mail," the Nazis could easily build up a file which might be used in an attempt to create a spy machine against the United States in case of war.

Russia has used the same tactics, attempting to spread her doctrines into adjoining countries by air. Efforts have even been made to erect barriers by electrical waves which would prevent broadcasts from crossing national borders.

THUS the nations play the game, and conduct a verbal "war in the air," recklessly interfering in affairs not their own, sowing hatred and distrust on the wind.

It is so like the two little boys and their squabble, except that these are grown men, and instead of producing a bloody nose, they are preparing a bloody world.

Tung and Soy

THE tung tree and the soy bean tell a story.

When most of us learned our geography, the answer to the question, "What do we get from Manchuria?" was always in part, "Soy beans."

Within the last 10 years soy beans have become almost a major crop in the United States. Soon there will be no need to get them from what the Japanese now call Manchukuo.

The same geography lesson listed among imports from China "tung oil," an extract prepared from a tree and used in paint-making. Now the Mississippi tung plantations are already in production, and a single company has brought 120,000 acres of land to grow tung trees. Soon we will be producing our own tung oil.

Japan, commonly said to have no petroleum resources, is now installing through the German Krupps huge plants in Manchukuo to distill oil from coal. Within a few years, the Japanese navy may have all the fuel oil it wants.

It isn't safe to count chickens today even after they're hatched. You have to wait until they're actually on the table.

The Family Doctor

T. M. Reg. U. S. Pat. Off.

By DR. MORRIS PISHBEIN
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Thirst, as Index of Water in Body, Bears Definite Relation to Health

(No. 421)

Humans can live without food for many weeks—in fact, as many as 40 days. They can live without oxygen for a few minutes. The length of time they can go without water depends, of course, on many factors, but the outside limit seems to be about four days for the average man.

An Italian political prisoner, named Viterbi, who committed suicide by combining a hunger strike with a thirst strike, according to Dr. Walter B. Cannon, died on the 18th day of his strike. During this period he lay absolutely quiet in moist and cool prison surroundings. Had he been in the desert with the heat pouring down, he might have died much sooner.

Water is an absolutely essential substance for health and life. Water leaves the body with every breath and also is lost from the body by perspiration, and through the kidneys and bowels. Water in the body must be constantly renewed by drinking or by eating food which contains considerable water.

Under certain circumstances when the amount of water taken in does not keep up with the need, we become exceedingly thirsty. This happens when the air is dry, when the weather is hot and when the exercise is too vigorous or when as a result of the taking of various drugs or foods, the output of water may be excessive.

When a person is thirsty, his whole body craves water. The picture of a person dying with thirst is most un-

pleasant. The tongue sticks to the teeth, the mouth becomes sticky; there is a constant lump in the throat; the eyelids eventually fail to move over the dry eyeballs, and the dying person begins to dream of lakes and rivers.

Long speaking or singing will lessen the moisture in the mouth and throat, and sometimes water is lost as a result of bleeding or because of diseases like diabetes.

It is important to know how much water each person loses from the body so that the amount taken in may with certainty supply his need. For this reason the amount of water taken is definitely related to health.

In the processes of digestion large amounts of water may be taken from the blood and poured into the gastrointestinal tract, resulting in thirst after a meal.

One of the most common superstitions is that we should not drink water during our meals. However, there seems to be no scientific reason for this belief.

For the average person six to eight glasses of water per day seem to satisfy the need.

NEXT: A series of three articles on muscular treatment in infantile paralysis.

Fujiyama mountain, with a height of 12,395 feet, is the highest peak in Japan.



Your Children

By Olive Roberts Barton

Misbehavior Traced to Fatigue—Parents Are to Blame for Much Bad Conduct

The following is an excellent example, I think, of punishment following upon upset in routine. Half of all correction is really not the child's fault, but the result of some circumstance that interferes with his regular program.

A small girl was invited to a little celebration after supper, which meant bedtime usually for the little four-year-old. But the kindly neighbor insisted that the puppet show would only last for an hour, so mother said, "All right, Sally will be there, and thank you."

Then down came mother, picked up her screaming offspring and carried her up shrieking and kicking to her fate. As the little girl continued to act like a small fury, she got a sound

and Sally did not get home until nine o'clock, two hours after her usual departure for Shut Eye Town. Sally was on her high horse. She would not be undressed. She slipped downstairs while her mother was getting out her nightgown and fixing the bed, and she pretended not to hear the scolding and pleadings from above stairs. No, she was not going to bed and she was going to have a lollipop and play with her doll. The more she was coaxed, the barker she got. Stern words left her unmoved. Sally behaved as she had never behaved before.

Whole Evening Spoiled

Then down came mother, picked up her screaming offspring and carried her up shrieking and kicking to her fate. As the little girl continued to act like a small fury, she got a sound

Richest Girl in the World

BY ADELAIDE HUMPHRIES

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CAST OF CHARACTERS
CONSTANCE CORBY—heroine; richest girl in the world.
BRET HARDESTY—hero; bridge builder.
KATIE BLYN—Constance's "double."

Yesterday I interested in the engaging young man at her side, Connie Corby, who was with him at the next town. Her adventure is under way. Bret tells her he would like to have her see his country.

CHAPTER VII

HE looked at her, coming back to the present again. "I believe you would," he spoke slowly. "Look here," deep color stained his dark face, "don't get me wrong—I can see you prefer people to mind their own business, not ask questions—I won't do that. But if you aren't going anywhere special, what I mean is, if you're up against it, I'd like to help you out."

Connie said, "That's kind of you—but I don't need help, really." It was the first time in her experience that anyone had ever offered to help her. It made a warm glow spread all through her; it made her feel as though she had a friend.

"Well, I didn't know . . . besides you never can tell," he cug in the pocket of his tweed coat, pulled out a card. Before he handed it to her he wrote something across the back. "Keep this. Just in case," he urged.

She thanked him; put the card in her purse.

"Reckon we'd better be getting on," he suggested. "And thank you ever so much, Miss Blyn—I beg your pardon!" He gave her a bow, elegant bow. "Miss Corby should have said. Thank you or dining with me. I enjoyed it." "I enjoyed it, too," she told him. "But don't let's pretend anymore." She did not want him to call her by her real name.

"I don't believe you want to be that rich girl," after all," he smiled.

Connie thought, after the card, and she went into the place, and once more the wheels were turning round and round, numbing her rhythmic song, she did not want to be herself, at all, until she was forced to again. Gone was that empty feeling; she no longer felt of everything, tired of it all. Why, it was gorgeous, just like a dream.

At a time she closed her eyes, and one more having said to the deep comfortable chair.

to its reclining position, for this was the only bed the coach provided for its passengers during the long night.

Connie had thought she would be too excited to sleep, perhaps the luxury of the wide Marie Antoinette bed. But before there could have been time to count many sheep, or to fuss about comfort, she had been lulled to a sleep so sound it was untroubled by any dreams. She must have slept thus for several hours. Then she was awakened to a sense of confusion, a new stiffness in arms and limbs.

The bus had stopped. Two men, one a rough looking, coarse individual, the other scarcely more than a boy, whom she remembered as having been sitting in the back seat, had whipped revolvers from their pockets. The boy had pressed his against the driver's back, the man's was leveled at the occupants in the coach.

A woman screamed; a man swore. Bret Hardesty started to his feet, his dark face flushing, his fists clenched.

"Sit down, you!" The muzzle of the revolver was trained threateningly at his chest. "Another sound out of anyone, one move—and I'll fill the bunch of you with lead." The gunman looked capable of doing just that.

"Please sit down!" Connie tugged at Bret Hardesty's coat. Her blue eyes entreated him. He sank back in his seat, but his face was still flushed, his dark eyes narrowed.

"Everybody stand up," the man ordered, now. "As you file out, hand over your money—or take what we give you and like it!"

Connie obeyed with the rest. "Don't do anything, please!" she managed to whisper with a pleading desperation to her newly-found friend. She had a feeling that Bret Hardesty was not going to empty his pockets without protest even though he faced a dozen revolvers.

She was right about that. She had no sooner parted with her roll of bills than she heard a thud behind her. Bret had knocked the revolver out of the fellow's hand, reaching across the driver's shoulder to switch off the lights at the same time. Now they rolled and fought in the aisle.

There were screams from the frightened women, three shots rang out. Then the slim figure of the boy could be seen taking to his heels.

"BRET, Bret . . . are you hurt?" Without realizing she called him by name. Scarcely knowing

what she was doing, Connie tried to feel ahead into that inky blackness from which still came the sound of those two bodies pummeling and struggling.

Then there was silence.

"I'm all . . . okay," Bret's slow drawl came as though nothing had happened, except some loss of breath. "T-t-turn on . . . switch. I've got . . . this one."

Connie managed to find the switch, wondering how she did, her fingers were trembling so. The passengers, relieved and smiling, began to file back in, bursting into voluble chatter as people will after a tense unusual strain.

The driver came forward with a piece of stout rope with which to bind the bandit's hands. He was a sorry-looking bandit now, all the bravado knocked completely out of him.

"Better empty his pockets and give back what he took before we turn him over to the police at the next town," Bret said.

"I'm not sure about regulations as to that," the driver objected. He started to investigate the man's pockets. Then uttered a shout. "Humph! The money's gone. Nothing to hand back!"

"My partner . . . he musta swiped it," the fellow muttered sullenly when Bret gave him a sharp shake, demanding to know what had become of it.

"A swell partner!" Bret commented. He suggested they had better get started. "Maybe they can pick up the other fellow too; he acted like an inexperienced kid."

"You're not hurt, are you?" Connie asked anxiously after the excitement had died down and they were on their way again.

His thick dark hair was rumpled, his shirt torn open at the neck; there was a faint purple shadow spreading around one eye, but aside from that Bret Hardesty still looked intact.

"Not a scratch," he said, smilingly. Then with his serious look again. "But it's you I'm worrying about. Now you will have to let me help you."

He thought she had lost everything she had. But there was nothing and the breach and the wound safely hidden in the imitation leather bag. Still, she need not tell him about them.

"I guess I will," she said.

That purple shadow was most becoming she decided. It lent him a rakish look that rendered him decidedly handsome. She had never met such a man.

It seemed quite ridiculous—and unnecessary—now that she had met him to think of losing him again.

(To Be Continued)

A Book a Day

By Bruce Catton

Thomson's Troops Move Into Texas.

Not even Kipling had a surer touch in writing of soldiers than has Major John W. Thomson, Jr., of the U. S. Marines. When you learn, therefore, that Major Thomson has written a novel about soldiers—"Gone to Texas" (Scribner's \$2.75)—you have a right to expect something extra-special in the way of books.

The expectation is partly fulfilled, partly disappointed. Major Thomson's plot is a trifle jerky and his heroine is pretty wooden. But his soldiers are a living, breathing, sweating lot and his scenes of action are quick and moving; and "Gone to Texas," while it might have been better, is all in all a readable and exciting book.

Major Thomson sets his story in the Texas border country, in the years immediately after the Civil War. Texas had become a haven for discharged war veterans of both armies. Hardened, toughened, used to killing, they wandered down there by hundreds, looking for excitement. As a result excitement sprouted and flourished like the green bay tree.

To this scene comes a young lieutenant, veteran of the Army of the Potomac, assigned to an army post near the Rio Grande. He falls in love with the daughter of an ex-Confederate officer; her cousin, also an ex-Confederate, gets mixed up in the revolutionary Mexican armies of Porfirio Diaz, then just starting his climb to power.

The upshot of all this is that the young lieutenant has to help the old Confederate rescue the young Confederate from a Mexican firing squad, thus winning the hand of the feminine Confederate; and while the plot is at times jerky and at times obvious, the net result is a swiftly-moving story that is almost certain to hold your interest from the first page to the last.



Paul Harrison in Hollywood

Four Stars Crash Into List of 10 Highest-Paid Players.

HOLLYWOOD. — Hollywood New Year resolutions have been made, and by this time they will have been broken. Movie people are impulsive and thoughtless in such matters, as was the heavy-slamming comedian who went around offering a \$1000 wager that he wouldn't make a bet of any kind during 1938.

Many players, though, still can look back with pride on 1937. Indeed, they even regard the past year with hope and anticipation, for the prizes and honorable mentions of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences are set to be awarded.

Four players who can feel particularly happy about past accomplishments are those who for the first time have been voted into the list of the 10 biggest money-making stars of 1937. This poll regularly is conducted by the Motion Picture Herald among the nation's exhibitors, and it is an accepted principle that the account books of American theaters are the one infallible jury of public opinion.

The fortunate four are William Powell, Jane Withers, Sonja Henie and Myrna Loy. Miss Withers almost made the top 10 in 1936, and her place in the bracket was assured for this year.

Although Powell and Miss Loy came up largely as a result of co-starring pictures, most exhibitors listed them separately unlike Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers.

Does It in One Year

Miss Henie is the only person, since the poll was inaugurated in 1932, to rank in the top 10 during her first year in the movies. Her first picture, "One Night in the Mill," was released Jan. 1, 1937. That film and "Thin Ice" brought her unprecedented honors. "Happy Landings," her third feature, is completed but not yet released.

The biggest money-making stars, in order are Shirley Temple, Clark Gable, Robert Taylor, Bing Crosby, William Powell, Jane Withers, Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers, Sonja Henie, Gary Cooper, Myrna Loy, Shirley

Temple has been on the list since 1934, when she ranked eighth. In 1935, 1936 and 1937 she was box-office champion.

Got Out of Scanties

It was the modest Eleanor Fowell who started me collecting other accomplishments of the year. She said, "I believe I've proved that a dancer can look all right with clothes on. Before this, you know, life for me has been all legs and scanties. In 'Rosalie,' they gave me nice modern clothes."

Robert Montgomery still is pleased about his role as a killer in "Night Must Fall." "I didn't get a single laugh," he said. "I was a tickler!" He hopes it's the turning point toward a real dramatic career.

Glady's George, on the other hand, is happy about a return to comedy, the medium in which she was best known on the stage. Hollywood perversely had put her into middle-aged, tear-jerking roles.

"It was getting so bad," she recalled, "that I'd start bawling every time I saw myself in a mirror. But I got over it in the future called 'Love Is a Headache.' Why, I even got to kick Franchot Tone—and not on the shins, either!"

Great Accomplishments

Frank Morgan could think of only one great personal triumph during 1937: "I remember perfectly that it was on the 14th of July when I removed every pin from a new shirt and got it on without snubbing myself."

Freddie Bartholomew succeeded in convincing his Aunt Mylicent that he was old enough for a pair of long pants. Mickey Rooney topped that, though. He actually had a scene in a picture where he had to shave himself. Time marches on!

Said Spencer Tracy: "Best thing I did was show Gable and Taylor and Powell that I'm as good a clothes-horse as any of 'em. Did you see my fancy striped pants in 'Mamie'?" Boy, they were really something! Also, I got to do a little love-making during 1937. How'm I doing?"

Identification of handwriting is a matter of great importance in law cases which involve questioned documents.

The most intelligent animals play when young. These include cats, dogs, otters, bears and monkeys.

'STREET IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 9 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

"The tax books for the collection of the special assessment on the real property in Street Improvement District No. 9 for the purpose of paving have been placed in my hands. All owners of real property lying within said district are required to pay their assessment to me within 30 days from this date. If such payment is not made, action will be commenced at the end of that time for collection of said assessment and the legal penalties and costs.

Given under my hand this 11th day of January, 1938.

W. P. AGEE, Collector.

Jan. 12, 19.

'STREET IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 3 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

"The tax books for the collection of the special assessment upon real property in Street Improvement District No. 3 in the City of Hope, Arkansas, for the purpose of paving those parts of all streets within the boundaries of said district, and the streets located therein, reference is herein made to the ordinance creating said district, have been placed in my hands.

All owners of real property lying in said district are required to pay their assessments to me within 30 days from this date. If such payment is not made, action will be commenced at the end of that time for the collection of said assessment and for legal penalties and costs.

This tax may be paid without penalty on or before February 15, 1938, and for the convenience of property owners the undersigned collector will be at the Citizens National Bank, in said city, from the first day of February until the 15th day of February, 1938, both days inclusive, for the purpose of receiving and collecting said assessments.

Given under my hand this 11th day of January 1938.

W. P. AGEE, Collector.

Jan. 12, 19.

'CURE AND GUTTER DISTRICT NO. 5 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

The tax books for the collection of the special assessment upon real property in Curb and Gutter District No. 5 of the City of Hope, Arkansas, for the purpose of paving those parts of all streets within the boundaries of said district and the streets located therein, reference is herein made to the ordinance creating the district, have been placed in my hands.

All owners of real property lying in said district are required to pay their assessments to me within 30 days from this date. If such payment is not made, action will be commenced at the end of that time for the collection of said assessment and for legal penalties and costs.

This tax may be paid without penalty on or before February 15, 1938, and for the convenience of property owners the undersigned collector will be at the Citizens National Bank, in said city, from the first day of February, 1938, both days inclusive, for the purpose of receiving and collecting said tax assessments.

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Lost

LOST—Black listed sow, weighs about 175 lbs. Crop and split in right ear, swallow forked underbit in left ear. Reward for return. Delous Jones, 703 South Laurel. 11-31p

LOST—Female three-year-old white and liver pointer bird dog. Bully Convey. 12-31p

Joseph Pulitzer, American editor and newspaper publisher, was born in Makó, Hungary, in 1847. He died in 1911.

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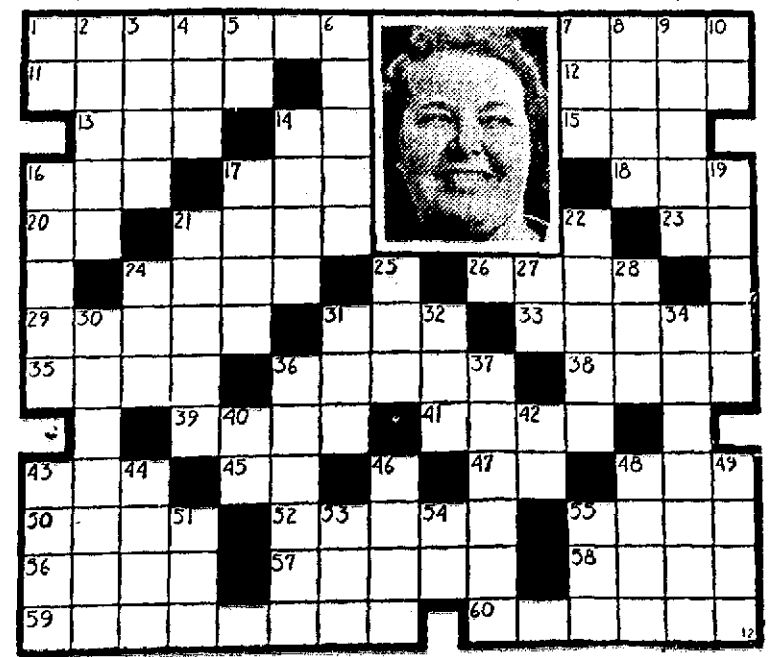
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 46 Seed covering.
- 48 Semi.
- 49 Close.
- 51 Kind of snow shoe.
- 53 Wing.
- 54 Form of "be."
- 55 Chum.



Today's Answers to CRANUM CRACKERS

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1. Actually there is no officially designated White House spokesman. It is a loose term used by newspapermen to denote the source of authoritative White House information on which the President does not wish to be quoted directly. The news may come either from the President himself or from other authorized persons such as his secretaries.
 2. Chang and Eng were the original Siamese twins. They were born in Siam.
 3. The longhorn cattle have practically disappeared from Texas. Only a few remain in preserves and parks.
 4. Fry are very young fish, and fingerlings are slightly older.
 5. Latin is a dead, and therefore fixed language. Any pharmacist, whether French, German or English, could understand the doctor's prescriptions if written in Latin. There is no attempt to keep anything from the patient.

STORIES IN STAMPS

BURIED his HEART with THE GREEKS

ALREADY a close friend of the Grecian people and admirer of hem, England's poet Lord Byron was quick to aid in the battle for Grecian independence as it neared its goal in the early 1820's.

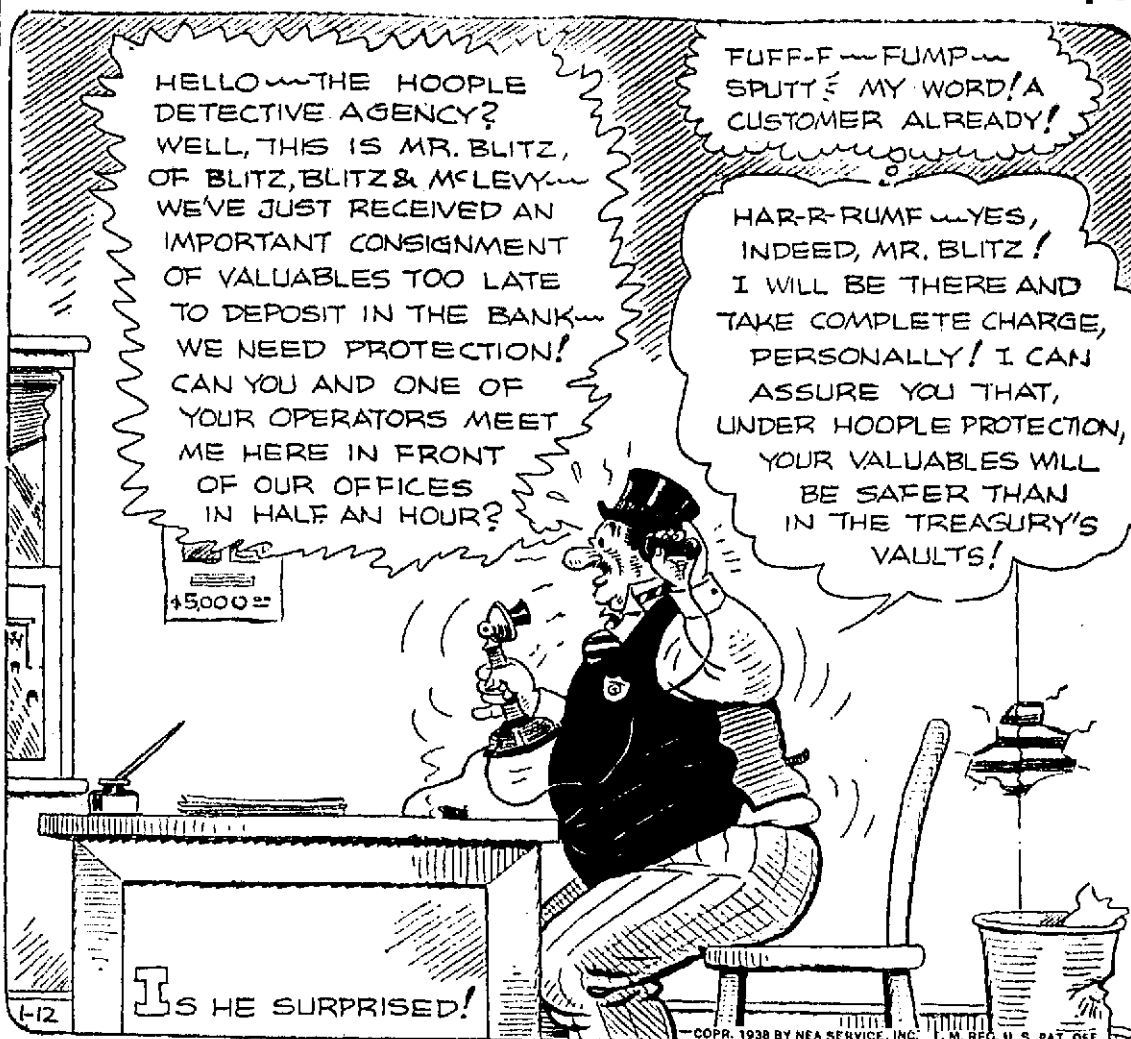
Traveling to the east, he offered money and advice personally to the revolutionaries upon his arrival at Missolonghi Jan. 5, 1824. And in succeeding months he did much more. Byron brought opposing parties into line, served as a link between Odysseus, the democratic leader of the insurgents and the prince, "Mavrocordato."

Possibly the strain proved too much; in any event Byron's health suddenly gave away. He was seized with convulsions. By spring he was extremely weak. Copious blood-letting (the practice of the time) may have augmented this condition. On April 19, 1824, he died, only 36.

Heartbroken, the Greeks ordered a military funeral and 21 days of mourning. Byron's body lay in state. And on the 25th all but the heart was returned to England. The heart was buried at Missolonghi. Byron at Missolonghi is portrayed on a 1924 Grecian stamp, one of two Byron commemoratives.



OUR BOARDING HOUSE with . . . Major Hoople



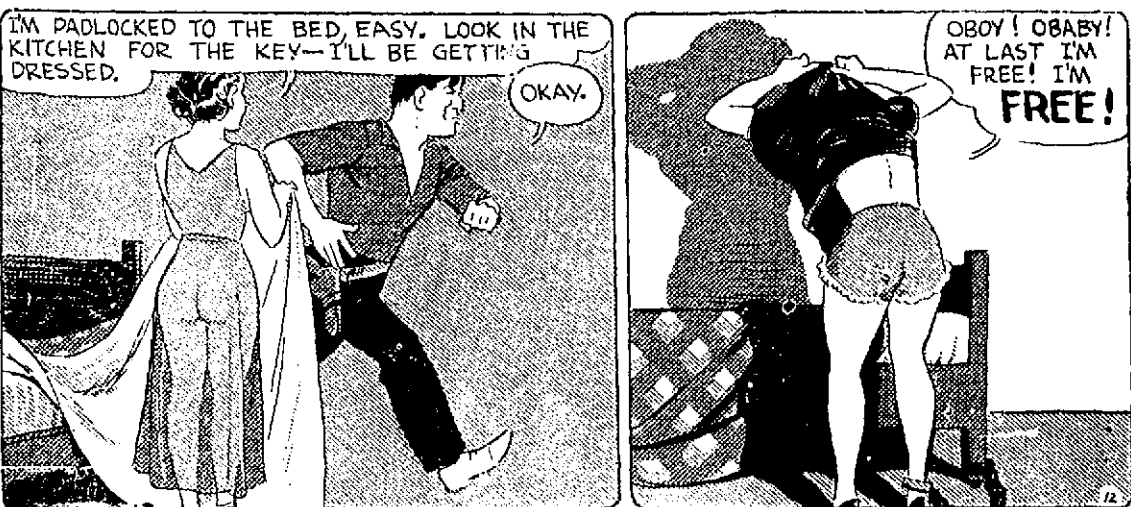
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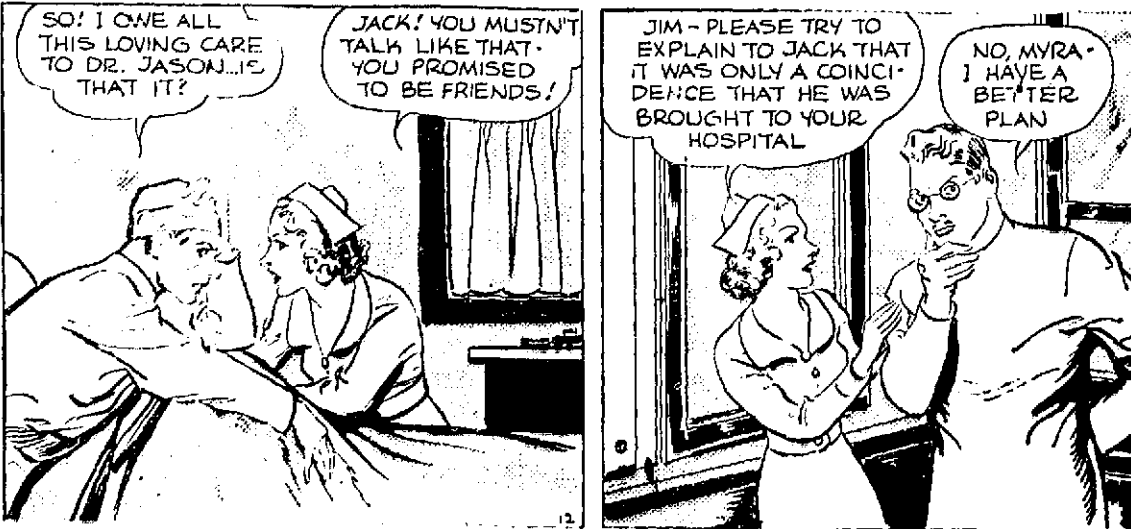
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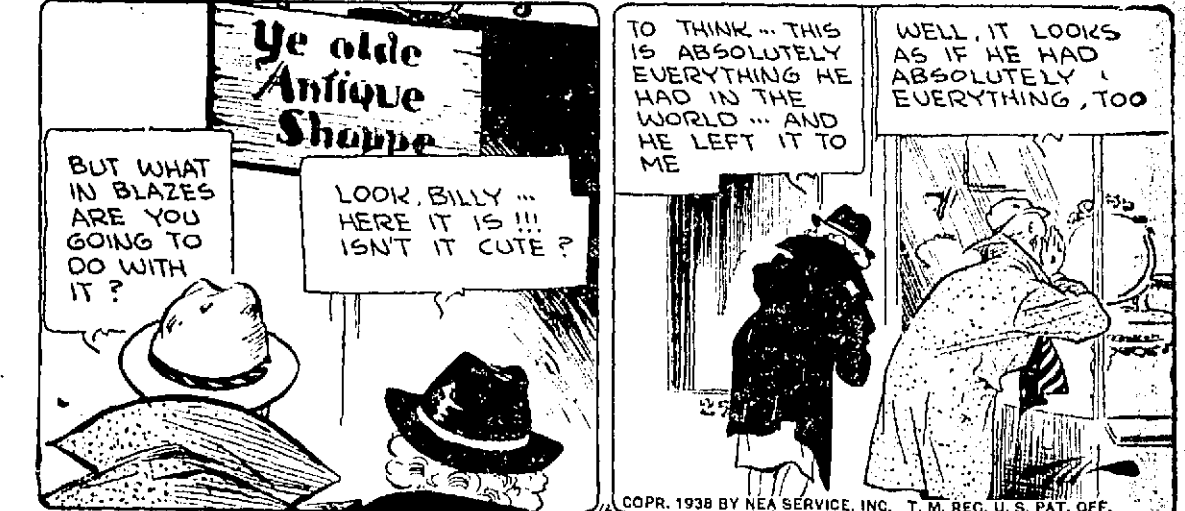


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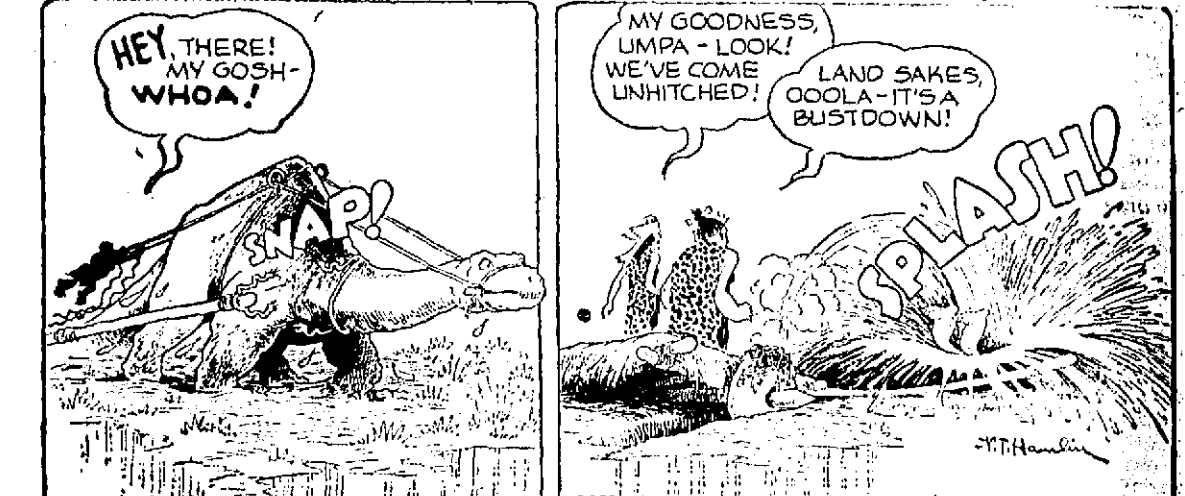
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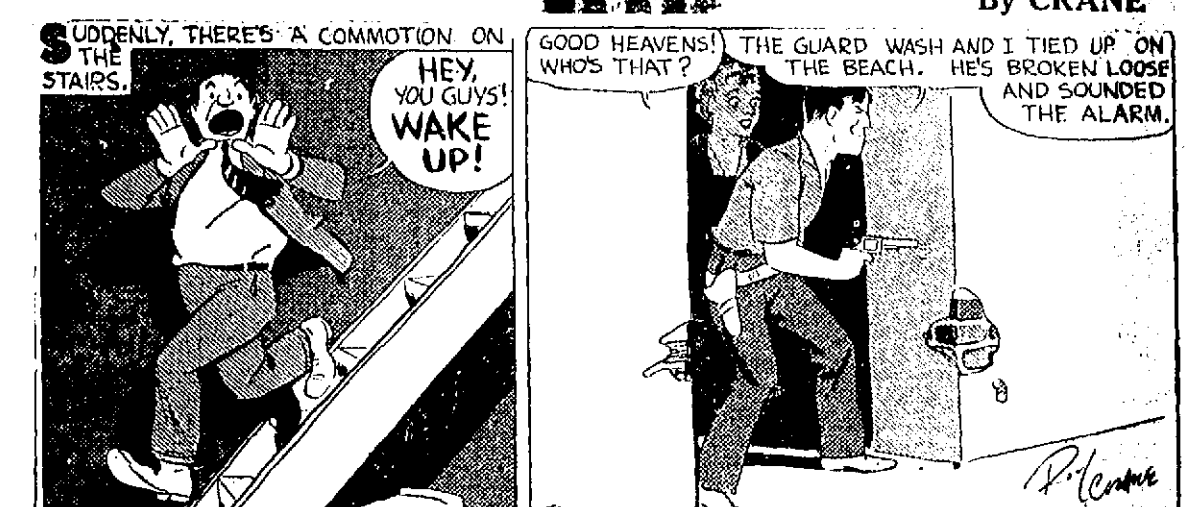
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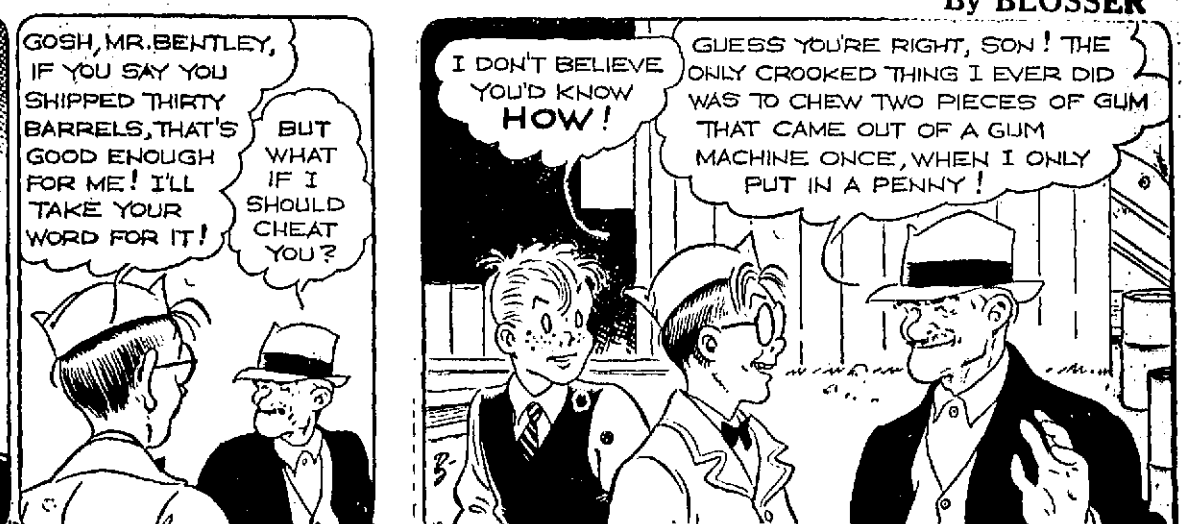
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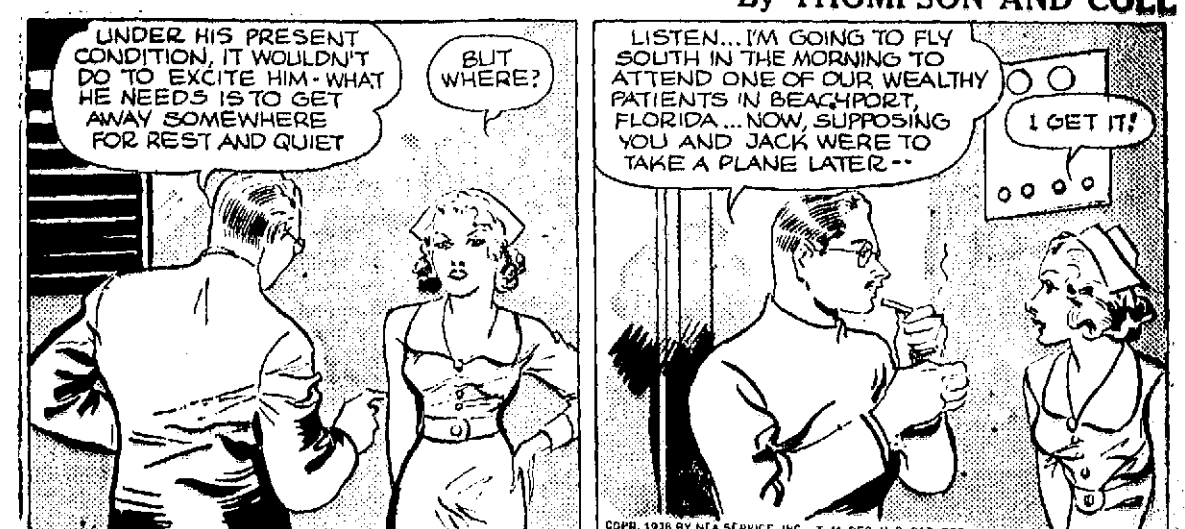
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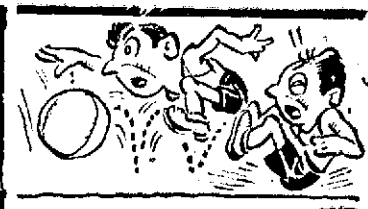
I DON'T BELIEVE YOU'D KNOW HOW!



LISTEN... I'M GOING TO FLY DOWN IN THE MORNING TO ATTEND ONE OF OUR WEALTHY PATIENTS IN BEACHPORT, FLORIDA—NOW, SUPPOSING YOU AND JACK WERE TO TAKE A PLANE LATER?



THE SPORTS PAGE



With Center Jump Out, Cage Court Is Remindful of Races

By JERRY BRONFIELD
NEA Service Sports Writer

How tough a game is basketball? The answer, short and snappy, is "plenty."

Dotting mothers who forbid junior to play a "brutal" game such as football, but think it's perfectly all right if he plays basketball, don't realize what a mistake they're making.

However, this isn't a case against America's most popular indoor activity. It merely is by way of pointing out that the cage game can very easily take its place alongside football and hockey as one of the roughest, toughest sports on the books.

Boxers, trackmen, and crew athletes might differ, but basketball probably is a greater drain on the wind than anything else you can think of. Players are constantly on the move, and now that the center jump has been eliminated the hard-wood becomes highly reminiscent of a race course.

Then, too, there is the matter of body contact. A football player, naturally, takes more and harder knocks, but at least he is padded well at vital spots. Hoopsters have virtually no protection, and with the game as fast as it is anything is liable to happen.

Tough On Track Men

Before the center jump was eliminated, body contact often was vicious when opposing forwards and guards plunged in for the lay-off.

They made it a little tougher on the college boys a few years back when they split the game into 20-minute halves instead of 10-minute quarters, but they didn't dare let the rule affect high school players.

So rough is the sport that many track coaches forbid their stars to play. They claim the constant, sudden starting and stopping is the easiest way to ruin a track man's leg muscles, and give him a track knee that will ruin him for keeps.

Jesse Owens, who liked basketball, was forbidden to play in Ohio State intramurals. Many a potential star lost a world record somewhere on a basketball floor.

A Study in Contrasts

The degree of intensity in the game varies. In the midwest it's terrific. It may be because of the great number of football players who double in the cage sport, but, nevertheless, basketball is so rough in the Big Ten that it seems as though the boys have to draw blood before a foul is called.

On the other hand, eastern play is almost anemic in comparison. Midwestern quints who go to the seaboard are warned that they'll draw a blast from the referee's whistle if they so much as look cross-eyed at their faces. Many physicians are claiming that basketball, as played now, is so fast and strenuous that athletes will feel it later on.

But so far, nobody has dropped dead from exhaustion or broken bones. And the boys say once they get themselves adjusted to the new style of play it won't be any tougher on them than before.

Golf Course Here Is Put in Shape

Lew Brown Announces Play on Course This Coming Week-End

LEW Brown, in charge of the Hope Golf course, said Wednesday that the local course would be in good shape for week-end play, and that a number of players were expected to participate in competitive play.

Mr. Brown said he would offer a special price for instructions in golf, starting within a few days. Persons desiring instructions may contact Brown at his home or at the golf course.

The American debut of Marie Jeritza was made at the Metropolitan Opera House in 1921.

HARD ON HARDWOOD



Indiana high school basketball teams play for keeps, which is one reason why so many college stars are developed there. Joe Patena, brother of Matt, former Michigan football star, is caught in an unperpendicular position in a scrap for the ball. His team, Elkhart, won from LaPorte, 31-26, for its seventh straight.

Oaklawn Racing to Open February 28

Tiger, Outstanding Three-Year-Old to Compete in Derby

HOT SPRINGS, Ark. — (AP) — Bill Hamilton, racing steward of Oaklawn Park, said here that Tiger, outstanding three-year-old of the Milky Way farms, in all probability will compete in the third running of the \$5000 Arkansas Derby here April 2.

The derby climaxes Oaklawn's 30-day racing season, which opens February 28.

Tiger won \$41,000 last year and at present is training at Santa Anita, Calif.

He will be brought here around January 20, along with some 20 other Milky Way entries, Hamilton said. Four two-year-olds are to be shipped here near the end of this week from the farm's stables at Buford, Tenn, he added.

The Oaklawn official said one or two races likely would be arranged for "the Tiger" in advance of the derby and that the youngster's condition would be the only possible reason for his not entering the classic.

"If he is all right you'll see him in the derby," Hamilton said, adding "that would certainly make it the track's greatest derby, wouldn't it?"

Summed, owned by the B. F. Christman stables, arrived at the track Tuesday along with stable mates Departed, Miss Tipotee, Claudy Weather, Dizzy Dame and Idle Miss.

A. Hultecatt brought in Pacemaker, Spittentime, Anya, Shebang and Proteus, several of whom were consistent Oaklawn winners last year.

Jockey F. Faust and Apprentice Rider R. Scott accompanied the Christman stable here.

Major Leagues to Open on April 19

Both National and American to End Campaigns October 2

NEW YORK — (AP) — The 1938 major league baseball campaign will begin on all fronts, April 19, with a pair of opening games at Boston and Washington in the American League and the National League.

Day observers in Boston first chance to pry the lids.

Opening schedules, announced Tuesday at a joint schedule meeting of the big leagues, are:

American League: April 18, Philadelphia at Washington, New York at Boston.

April 19, Detroit at Chicago, St. Louis at Cleveland.

National League: April 19, Boston at New York, Brooklyn at Philadelphia; Chicago at Cincinnati, Pittsburgh at St. Louis.

The all-star game at Cincinnati was scheduled for Tuesday, July 5, with the succeeding day left open in case of a postponement.

Both leagues will close their schedules, October 2.

Charges Cagers

MILWAUKEE — Members of the Marquette University basketball team who showed up late for practice, meals, and cabs are fined 10 cents and the money thus collected by Treasurer Dave Quibus, star guard, is used for some worthy purpose. Last year it was used to buy a wedding gift for Trainer Ed Rossmayrski.

Table Tennis Titanic

LONDON — Close to 100,000 people are expected to attend the world table tennis tournament in Wembley Stadium. Three hundred players from 20 nations will compete.

Bright Future for Minor League Ball

Association's Policy of Stabilization Is Great Aid to Clubs

HOT SPRINGS, Ark. — (AP) — Minor league baseball, said its national president, W. G. Branham, of Durham, N. C., here Tuesday, faces a brighter future as a result of the association's policy of stabilization.

Branham, here for a month's vacation, said: "Last year, for the first time in history, we finished the season with the same 37 leagues which had started. That was because we refused to organize leagues unless they had the financial backing to carry them throughout the season."

It is as hard to keep some leagues out of organized baseball, Branham revealed, as it is to keep others in it.

"Formerly there would be attempts to organize leagues in some places where they didn't even possess a home place," he said. "These didn't have a chance. As a result they ran a few weeks and flopped. Our new policy, adopted several years ago, has changed all of that."

Baseball, Branham said, rides the crest with business. When business is up, so is baseball. When it is down, so is baseball.

He recalls 1932 as the low ebb of minor league baseball's history.

"At the end of the 1932 season there were four leagues, the International, American Association, Pacific Coast and Southern," he said, "which notified us they were ready to begin in 1933. The Texas League was uncertain. All the others said they were quitting."

"We got together that winter at Columbus, O., and when we finished we had 11 leagues ready for the 1933 campaign, the lowest number in our history."

The increase, he said, has been gradual.

Branham said 13,500,000 fans paid to see minor league baseball last year and estimated that the paid attendance of both minor and major leagues equalled one-sixth of the population of the United States and Canada.

Denying that the minors are dominated by the majors, he said:

"There is no question but that the finest situation is for local ownership; but in most instances the baseball men financially able to handle baseball clubs are not so equipped and in that case fans in the community are willing for major leagues ownership or working agreements."

Branham said he sold on night baseball and predicted the minors would never return to the daylight game entirely.

Plenty Agile

NEW YORK — Ed Franco, Fordham's star tackle, is table tennis champion of the university, despite the fact that he is 5 feet 10 inches tall and weighs 202 pounds.

Short Cut

PHILADELPHIA — As a matter of convenience, Bert Bell, owner-coach of the Philadelphia Eagles, signs his name just that way. His given name is de Benneville.

The belief that oysters should not be eaten in any month of which the name does not contain the letter "r" dates from the 17th century.

Answers for Krenz Cartoon

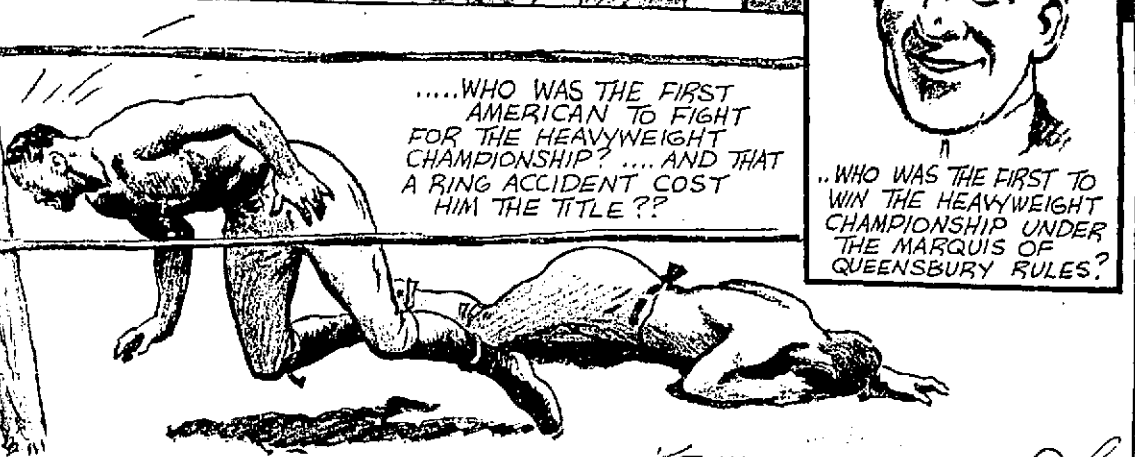
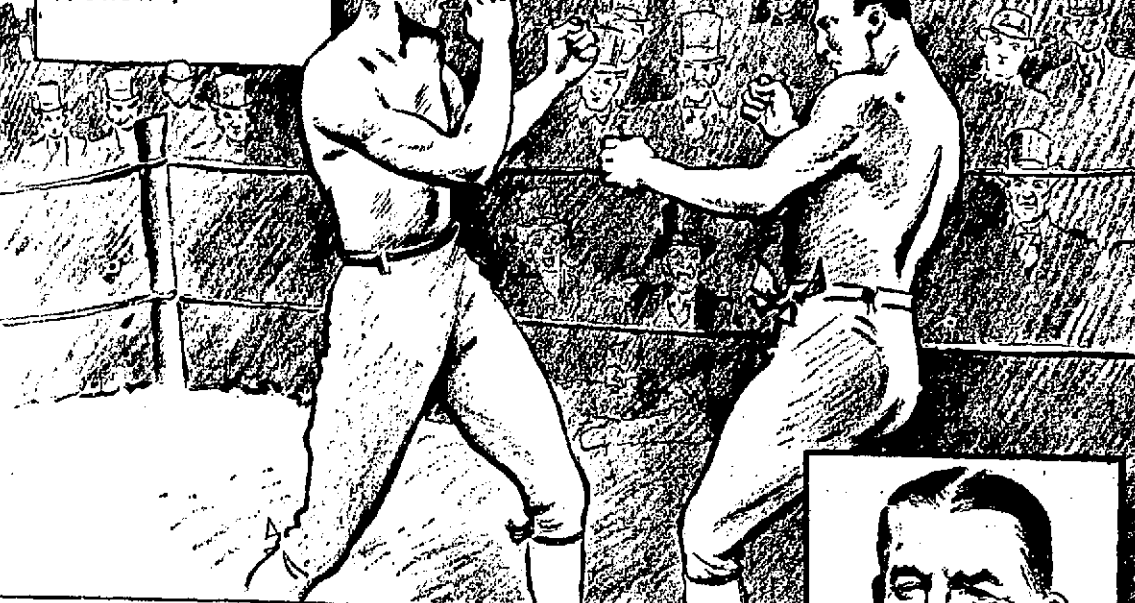
1. On May 24, 1866, Jim Mac, the titleholder, met Joe Goss at Farmington, England. After sparring for 20 minutes, with neither landing a blow, they shook hands and left the ring. Police were present and the participants feared arrest if they actually fought.

2. Tom Molineux, a negro who had been given his freedom from slavery, was the first American to fight for the heavyweight title, meeting Tom Cribb of England, December 10, 1810. Molineux was defeating the champion decisively, but in the 31st round, after flooring the Englishman with a hard right, he lost his balance, plunged into a ring post and was knocked unconscious. In the 33d, Cribb barely hit the negro, but Molineux was so weakened by what later proved to be a fractured skull, that he went down and out.

3. James J. Corbett was the first to win the heavyweight crown under the Marquis of Queensbury rules, defeating John L. Sullivan, Sept. 7, 1892.

DO YOU KNOW — ?

..... THAT THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ONCE WAS CONTESTED FOR WITHOUT EITHER CONTENDER STRIKING A BLOW ?



..... WHO WAS THE FIRST AMERICAN TO FIGHT FOR THE HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP? AND THAT A RING ACCIDENT COST HIM THE TITLE ??

..... WHO WAS THE FIRST TO WIN THE HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP UNDER THE MARQUIS OF QUEENSBURY RULES?

Several Apply for Perry's Job at Spa

School Board to Consider Applications Wednesday Night

HOT SPRINGS, Ark. — (AP) — Dewell Jackson, chairman of the Hot Springs school board's athletic committee, said Tuesday night the question of a successor to Coach Mervin Perry probably will be taken up at the board's regular meeting Wednesday night.

Perry, head football coach here for seven years, resigned during the last season. The board agreed not to accept his resignation, but Perry recently stated he would not coach at the high school next fall.

He said, however, he would accept a job as athletic director, if it were offered him.

None of the board members have indicated a preference, but said that applications for the job are numerous.

Lead poisoning affects the whole body but especially the nervous system and the food forming tissues.

Sports of All Sorts

Gloomy Gil Glad

BOSTON — Coach Gilmour Dobie can't wait for the 1938 football season to roll around at Boston college. The 1937 freshman line averaged 217 pounds.

Dedicate Field House

LAFAYETTE — Purdue will dedicate its new field house when the Boiler-maker basketball team tackles Wisconsin, January 15, in their Big Ten home opener.

What's the Difference?

PHILADELPHIA — Frank Wysocki, Villanova's All-American, got a real thrill when five Marquette football players voted him the best end they played against. Wysocki didn't appear in the Marquette game.

Quantity, Anyway

DETROIT — With 22 pitchers on deck, the Detroit Tigers will have the largest spring training mound staff in the majors.

Attempts Comeback

NEW YORK — Bill Bonbrun, former Princeton track star, and now working in a bond office, says he will attempt a comeback this winter on the boards, but will give up the mile for the two-mile event.

Pardon My Accent

LOS ANGELES — After he had been voted the handsomest man in baseball, Wesley Ferrell's screen test was spoiled by his very pronounced southern drawl.

New Rule Aids Officials

CINCINNATI — Most fans seem to believe that the new rule, eliminating the center jump in basketball, makes officiating more difficult, but Frank

Woman Golf Star to Marry Feb. 15

Helen Hicks Will Wed Whitney Harb, Little Rock Man

LITTLE ROCK — (AP) — Whitney Harb, Little Rock automobile distributor, said here Tuesday night that he and Miss Helen Hicks, former United States women's golf champion, would be married February 15 at Garden City, Long Island, N. Y.

He said their plans had not been sufficiently formulated for a formal announcement to be issued, but that the ceremony would take place at the Episcopal Cathedral of the Incarnation at Garden City, with Bishop Ernest Stires officiating.

Harb is one of the best-known amateur golfers in Arkansas, has been twice champion of the Little Rock Country Club and has several times been a contender for the state title. He is 44 years old and a widower.

Miss Hicks is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Hicks of Woodmont, Long Island. Her father is president of the Long Island City Savings Bank. She has held virtually every major women's golf title in the country, and currently holds the western open championship. Harb said Tuesday night she would defend that title in June at Denver.

Lane, veteran Cincinnati referee, differs.

"We no longer have to run to the center of the court to riss-ups, and then get bumped around in the rush for the ball," he explains. "All we do now is move up and down the floor with the ball, and that can be done with comparative leisure."

The largest codfish on record—211 pounds and more than six feet long—was caught on a line trawl off Massachusetts in 1895.

Emmet Girls Team Loses to Malvern

Winning Streak of 13 Consecutive Games Is Snapped

Emmet High School senior girls basketball team's string of 13 consecutive victories was snapped over the week-end by Malvern Central High School, 30 to 27.

The Emmet girls got off to a good start and were leading at the half, 21 to 14. The last half turned into a rough battle, the Malvern team making four personal fouls to 12 for Emmet.

The Emmet teams play three games at Emmet Wednesday night against Laneburg school.

The Emmet senior boys defeated Malvern Central, 32 to 16.

Badgers Beat Walkersville

BODCAW, Ark. — Bodcaw Badgers defeated their formidable basketball enemy, Walkersville, Saturday night in a hard fought game after Bodcaw girls and junior boys had lost to the Walkersville teams.

Bailey led the scoring for the Badgers early in the game, and was followed by Timmons of Walkersville. The Badgers took the lead from the beginning, and not until the last quarter did the Walkersville boys begin their deadly fire, but the rally came too late to save the day for the visitors and when the final whistle blew the score was 25-35 for the Badgers.

Bailey for the Badgers led the scoring with 12 points, and E. Greene of Walkersville scored 10 points.

The Bodcaw junior boys lost to the Walkersville lads after holding them to a close score for the first half. The score was 6-17.

The Bodcaw girls put up a hard fight but were unable to cope with the more powerful Walkersville team. The score being 22-12 for Walkersville.

Henry Yokum officiated in all three games.

Patmos Beats Spring Hill

PATMOS, Ark. — Patmos senior boys continued their undefeated bid tied by Columbus, March through the county by defeating Spring Hill Friday night. The score was 41-18. Stafford, guard, was high scorer with 16 points. Runner-up honors went to Mayton with 8 points. Yocom led the losers with 7 points.

In a second game the senior girls of Patmos won over a team from Spring Hill by a 26-7 score. Mayton led the scoring for Patmos with 19 points. Lewis was runner-up with 4 points.

In the feature game of the night Magnolia A. & M. college took a thrilling game from the Patmos all-stars. The score was 30-26.

The game was hotly contested throughout, Magnolia leading at the half by a 16-7 score. Patmos staged a rally in the third quarter, forging ahead. At the end of the period by a single point 22-21, but Magnolia came back to win.

Overton was high scorer for Magnolia with 10 points and Davis and Middlebrooks were runner-up with 4 points each. Hamiter led the losers with 9 points each. Due to the fact that Middlebrooks, center, and Camp, guard, were former Patmos stars, the game was hotly fought.

Approximately 300 fans saw the games.

Bearden Cage Team Defeats Prescott

Last Quarter Rally by the Bears Enable Team to Win, 44-34

PRESCOTT, Ark. — The Bearden basketball team defeated Prescott High School, 44 to 34, here Monday night. At the half Bearden was leading, 19 to 11. Prescott came back strong in the last half and evened the score but Bearden outplayed them in the last quarter.

"The ADVENTURES of MARCO POLO" A Photo-serial in six chapters based on the SAMUEL GOLDWYN screenplay starring GARY COOPER and released thru UNITED ARTISTS CHAPTER 2



After years of travel from Venice through Arabia, Persia, Samarkand and Tartary, Marco Polo arrives in Pekin, ancient capital of far-flung Cathay, rich source of rare spices and silks, gold and jewels. Marco, who is known for his daring and adventurousness, is received by the great Kublai Khan; he makes friends with the beautiful Princess Kukachin, but arouses the enmity of the Saracen Ahmed, Kublai's Prime Minister who is scheming for

the Khan's death so that he can marry the Princess. The romance and glamor of China make Marco even more reckless, and he makes love to the exotic Princess even though she is engaged to the King of Persia. He wins Kukachin's affection, and teaches her the Occidental custom of kissing. When Ahmed's spies report the foreigner's impudence, Ahmed grimly decides to send him on a journey that will end in death. He persuades

the Khan to detail Marco as a spy to the camp of Lord Kaidu, rebellious General in the West. Marco is promised his coveted trade treaties as a reward for doing away with Kaidu.

Marco at once senses that he is on a mission of death instigated by the tricky Saracen. His only hope lies in outwitting the conspirators. Accompanied by his servant Binguccio, he gallops out of Pekin, determined to

foil the machinations of his enemies, to return victorious and claim Kukachin as his bride. No sooner does Marco depart than Ahmed persuades the Khan to send his great army across the China Seas to demolish Japan, hoping that a typhoon will end the glorious reign of Kublai Khan and make him, Kaidu, all-powerful ruler. Meanwhile, the Princess is left in the Palace with Ahmed as her only protector...

